**SEVENTH SUNDAY of EASTER May 21, 2023**

**PRELUDE** *The King Sitteth At His Throne*  Dupré (1886-1971)

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**INTROIT** *Let All the World in Every Corner Sing* Routley (1917-1982)

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

Leader: Sing to God, sing praises to God’s name!

**People: God protects the vulnerable and shelters the weak.**

Leader: God gives a home to the homeless and leads the prisoners to prosperity.

**People: Sing to God, sings praises to God’s name!**

Leader: Let us worship God

 **MORNING PRAYER**

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**OPENING HYMN** 267 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* Madrid

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

**PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

**Prayer of Confession.**

**Almighty God, shelter for the orphan, provider for the needy, savior of all: We confess we have neglected the work you entrust to us. We are half-hearted in our prayers; our care for the suffering is superficial, and our witness to Your love is fickle.  Forgive us, Lord, this and all our sin.  Strengthen our will and support our feeble efforts, that we may do your will on earth, until you come again. Amen.**

**SILENT PRAYER**

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

**\*GLORIA PATRI 581** Greatorex

**FIRST SCRIPTURE READING** Acts 1:6-14 p.884

**ANTHEM** *Hail Thee, Festival Day!* Vaughan Williams (1882-1958)

 (Text can be found in hymn 277)

**SECOND SCRIPTURE READING**  John 17:1-11 p.879

 **SERMON** *Witness.*Patrick Pettit, Interim Pastor

 **\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** *The Apostles' Creed* Hymnal p. 35

 **PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER**

**\*CLOSING HYMN 263** *All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!*  Coronation

**\*CHARGE and BENEDICTION**

 **POSTLUDE** *Transports de Joie (Outbursts of Joy)*  Messiaen (1908-1992)

\***Please stand if able**

*Hearing devices are available for your convenience.*

*Please be aware that they do not function until after the service begins.*

 **Today’s link is:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=36OriMm4kaY>



The Legacy: Mary June Cook

Regency at Augusta: Edie Lawrence

Shenandoah Nursing Home: Rubye Schwab, Nancy Garber

Home: Dick Huff, Mary Ultee, Mary Ann Maupin, Warner & Linda Sandquist,

Cathy Cunningham

Friends and Family: Erwin Berry (Joan), Bill Bromley, Jean Custen, Jerry Hughes, Sally McNeel, Bill Metzel (Joyce Tipton), Col. Stuart Roberts (Mark Henderson), Paul Watts, (Colleen Cash). Josh Slonaker, Beth Crickenberger, Barb Ostrander (Holly Bennett), Marty Rogers (sister of Cathy Cunningham)

Military: Carson Craig

Disciples’ Kitchen dates are May 30 and June 27.

My heartfelt thanks for all the love and prayers during Bob’s journey.

Your support the last few weeks has been especially meaningful.

Blessings to you all,

Colleen

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 *A community-minded congregation living out the love of Christ as we serve one another with humility, gentleness, and patience through God’s grace.*

**May 21, 2023 11:00 AM**



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